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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Mesa de Los Carros Hydro, LLC

Project No. 13316-001

NOTICE OF PRELIMINARY PERMIT APPLICATION ACCEPTED FOR FILING AND SOLICITING COMMENTS, MOTIONS TO INTERVENE, AND COMPETING APPLICATIONS

On April 3, 2012, Mesa De Los Carros Hydro, LLC filed an application, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act (FPA), proposing to study the feasibility of the Mesa De Los Carros Pumped Storage Project to be located in San Miguel County, New Mexico. The proposed project would be closed loop and would not be built on an existing body of water.

The proposed project would consist of: (1) an upper earthen dam with a height of 88 feet and a length of 11,880 feet; (2) an upper reservoir with a surface area of 276 acres, a capacity of 10,394 acre-feet, and a maximum pool elevation of 6,900 feet msl; (3) a lower earthen dam with a height of 110 feet and a length of 9,662 feet; (4) a lower reservoir with a surface area of 396 acres, a capacity of 11,652 acre-feet, and a maximum pool elevation of 5,560 feet msl; (5) a 29-foot-diameter, 9,000-foot-long steel penstock; (6) a powerhouse containing 4 generating units with a total installed capacity of 1,154 MW; (7) a 19.5-mile-long, 500 kV transmission line and; (8) appurtenant facilities. The proposed project would have an annual production of 4,214 GWh which would be sold to a local utility.

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Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, competing applications (without notices of intent), or notices of intent to file competing applications: 60 days from the issuance of this notice. Competing applications and notices of intent must meet the requirements of 18 CFR 4.36. Comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications may be filed electronically via the Internet. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's website http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp. You must include your name and contact

information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659. Although the Commission strongly encourages electronic filing, documents may also be paper-filed. To paper-file, mail an original and seven copies to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of Commission's website at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp. Enter the docket number (P-13316) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Dated: June 29, 2012

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary.

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